

Senate Resolution 123 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 123

BY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

1 A Resolution honoring Senator Matt McCoy for his years
2 of service in the Iowa General Assembly.

3 WHEREAS, Matt McCoy, born and raised in Des Moines,
4 Eagle Scout, and father to Jack, has been involved in
5 public service at the local and state level for much of
6 his adult life; and

7 WHEREAS, Matt McCoy was first elected to the House
8 of Representatives in 1992, and after two terms he was
9 elected to the Senate in 1996; and

10 WHEREAS, over two decades, Senator McCoy has
11 served on a wide array of legislative committees,
12 including serving as chair of the Commerce Committee
13 and the Transportation, Infrastructure, and Capitals
14 Appropriations Subcommittee; and

15 WHEREAS, Senator McCoy currently serves on the
16 Appropriations, Commerce, Government Oversight
17 (Ranking Member), Local Government, and Ways and Means
18 Committees, and on the Transportation, Infrastructure,
19 and Capitals Appropriations Subcommittee (Ranking
20 Member), and the Capital Projects Committee of the
21 Legislative Council; and

22 WHEREAS, Senator McCoy has also served on numerous
23 boards and commissions in his capacity as Senator,
24 including the Capitol Planning Commission, Investment
25 Board of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System,
26 and the Iowa Comprehensive Health Insurance Association
27 Board; and

28 WHEREAS, Senator McCoy, the first openly gay person

1 elected State Senator, has long championed the civil
2 and human rights of all Iowans, as evidenced by his
3 efforts working for passage of additional protections
4 under the Iowa Civil Rights Act in 2007 and for HIV
5 transmission decriminalization in 2014, as well as his
6 advocacy for antibullying legislation, inclusion of
7 transgender Iowans in the state's hate crimes statute,
8 and a ban on conversion therapy; and

9 WHEREAS, Senator McCoy's years of public service
10 have earned him numerous honors and awards, including
11 the 2014 Des Moines Convention & Visitors Bureau Civic
12 Champion Award, the 2014 Community HIV/Hepatitis
13 Advocates of Iowa Award, the Ducks Unlimited Public
14 Policy Award for 2013-14, the Iowa Corn Growers
15 Association 2014 Award, the Autism Society of Iowa's
16 Hometown Hero Award, and the Outstanding Service Award
17 by the Iowa Health Care Association & Iowa Center for
18 Assisted Living; NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate honors
20 Senator Matt McCoy for his years of public service in
21 the Iowa General Assembly and wishes him all the best
22 in the years to come.